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FOLLOWING IS REPEAT PHNOM PENH 3527 DATED 13 APR 73 SENT ACTION  
SECSTATE INFO BANGKOK CINCPAC COMUSMACHTAI

QUOTE. S E C R E T PHNOM PENH 3527

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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINR, APER, CB

SUBJECT: AUGMENTATION OF EMBASSY PERSONNEL

REF: A. PHNOM PENH 3301

B. STATE 368703

1. THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN REF A REGARDING THE DATE OF  
DEPARTURE OF PERSONNEL WHOSE POSITIONS ARE TO BE  
ELIMINATED REFLECTED NOT ONLY A DESIRE FOR AN ORDERLY  
PHASING OUT OF PERSONNEL AS TOURS EXPIRE BUT ALSO  
OUR JUDGMENT ON THE PRIORITIES OF THIS MISSIONS' S  
PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES. POSTPONEMENT OF ALL MEDTC  
PERSONNEL REDUCTIONS UNTIL THE LAST WOULD NOT ACCORD  
WITH THESE PRIORITIES AS I SEE THEM, AND I THEREFORE  
ASK FOR SOME FLEXIBILITY IN CARRYING OUT YOUR WISHES.  
I AM UNABLE TO ACQUIESCE IN THE APRIL DEPARTURE OF THE  
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USIS RADIO TECHNICIAN, WHOSE PRESENCE IS VITAL IN THIS FINAL STAGE OF OUR TWO RADIO PROJECTS IN BATTAMBANG AND KOMPONG SOM; NOT AM I ABLE TO DOE WITHOUT THE CHIEF OF THE POLITICAL SECTION, WHOSE EXTENSIVE CONTACTS AMONG OPPOSITION POLITICIANS ARE A VERY IMPORTANT ASSET AT THIS CRUCIAL JUNCTURE WHEN EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE TO BROADEN THE BASE OF THE LON NOL GOVERNMENT.

2. I THEREFORE PROPOSE TO HANDLE THE NEED FOR 10 POSITIONS IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER.

A. TWO POSITIONS HAVE NOT YET BEEN OFFICIALLY AUTHORIZED AND SHOULD NOT BE ESTABLISHED:

(1) THE GSO POSITION  
(2) THE PROPOSED ECONOMIC PLANNING AND RECONSTRUCTION ADENTIRE OPERATION AT GAS STATION 50 METERS FROM KAMAL ABDWAN' S HOUSE IN VERDUN STREET. IT WAS SEEN TO CONTAIN FOUR ARMED MEN, ONE WOUNDED IN LEFT SHOULDER. SAID SAME CAR WAS LATER SEEN CARRYING ARMED MEN ON HAMRA STREET ONE AND ONE HALF HOURS AFTER OPERATION. " ONE OF OUR VEHICLES FOLLOWED THIS STATION WAGON IN DIRECTION OF AMERICAN EMBASSY. BARRICADE ERRECTED BY SECURITY FORCES NEAR EMBASSY IN AIN MEREISSE QUARTER PERMITTED STATION WAGON TO PASS TO EMBASSY BUT PREVENTED OUR VEHICLE FROM FOLLOWING IT."

' ARAFAT EMPHASIZED THAT SPECIAL WEAPONS USED IN IDF OPERATION HAD BEEN CAPTURED AND BORE MARKING INDICATING THEY WERE MANUFACTURED BY MOSSBERG AND SONS, INC., NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT. MODEL WAS "152 K CAL. 22 LONG RIFLE" HOLDING 20 ROUNDS. END TEXT.

2. EMBASSY ISSUING IMMEDIATE CATEGORIC DENIAL. BUFFUM UNQUOTE ROGERS

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